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Athens, Tennessee

CSCC hosts Career/Transfer Fair

Cleveland State Community College will host a Career/Transfer Fair on Wednesday, April 16, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the L. Quentin Lane Gymnasium on Cleveland State's main campus. The free event is open to the public.

The Career/Transfer Fair will provide students, graduates and community members with an opportunity to explore the different career options in the area and network with over 80 different employers. Companies such as DENSO, Coca-Cola Consolidated, Mars Wrigley and McKee Foods will be present at the event.

In addition to the employers, there will be over 20 university representatives on hand to discuss questions about enrollment and transferring. Free snacks and refreshments will be served and door prizes will be awarded.

"This is a perfect opportunity for participants to update their resumes, practice their elevator speeches, talk with university representatives, and prepare to network with employers and universities," stated Sandy Kirby, Career Services Coordinator. "We hope everyone will take advantage of this great opportunity and join us for the 2025 Career/Transfer Fair!"

For more information on this event, contact Sandy Kirby at (423) 473-2288 or email skirby03@clevelandstatecc.edu.

Source: Andrea Byerly, Public and Media Relations Manager, Cleveland State Community College

Community News You Can Use

- There are **new members** of the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce. **Crossroad Counseling** will be joining the Chamber and have a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Thursday April 3 at 1:30 pm at 1 W. College St., in Athens. **George Financial** will join the Chamber on Tuesday April 8 at 1:30 pm at 106 E. Washington Ave., in Athens.
- McMinn County Little League Opening Day is this Saturday, April 5 at Athens Regional Park, beginning at 10:00am. Age groups competing on Opening Day: Tee Ball, 4/5/6 Coach Pitch, 6/7/8 Coach Pitch, 8/9/10 Live Pitch, 10/11/12 Live Pitch. The concession stand will be open and will be accepting both cash and credit cards!
- McMinn-Meigs Alzheimer's & Dementia Caregivers Support Group is set to meet on Tuesday, April 8 at 7:00 PM, at the Life Care of Athens Dining Room.

LISTENING REMINDER: TODAY on *Main Street Moments*: Listen to host Sandra Kinney speak with Maggie Aird about the farm kiosk at the new FOOD HUB, the first of its kind in Tennessee. The broadcast will be aired at 8:15 a.m. TODAY on WYXI RADIO: AM-1390 and FM-94.5.

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Athens, Tennessee

TWU baseball facilities set for renovation and expansion

Tennessee Wesleyan University is excited to announce a significant expansion and renovation of its baseball facilities, home to the Bulldogs Baseball Team, consistently ranked in the top ten of the NAIA National poll. Thanks to the donation from Dr. Bobby Goodfriend, TWU Board of Trustees Chair and his wife Wendy, the facility will be transformed into a first-class field and stadium. This project will enhance facilities for student-athletes and fans alike, further strengthening Tennessee Wesleyan's commitment to excellence in athletics and student development.

The project will include state-of-the-art field lighting, a new scoreboard with video technology, and an expanded outfield with a new outfield wall. To enhance the fan experience, additional improvements will be made to the concourse area, including a renovated press box and concessions area, additional restroom facilities, and an expanded seating area. Improvements will position Tennessee Wesleyan to be a host site for the opening round of the NAIA National Tournament. If awarded, such a tournament would be a big win for the University and the local economy.

Dr. Goodfriend, an Athens native, former CEO of Goody's Family Clothing, Inc., and whose family has been supporters of Tennessee Wesleyan for decades, shared his excitement about the project. "As proud supporters of Tennessee Wesleyan University, Wendy and I are honored to lend our support to this project. Coach Berry and his staff have a wonderful program, and I am hopeful the bleachers will be full to cheer on the Bulldogs when the renovations are complete."

"This is a major event for Tennessee Wesleyan and our baseball program," said Dr. Tyler Forrest, president of TWU. "Bobby and Wendy's substantial investment in our facilities demonstrates their shared vision of support for our student-athletes and our dedication to providing them with the best resources to succeed on and off the field."

Donny Mayfield, TWU's athletic director, emphasized the impact this expansion will have on both recruitment and the overall student-athlete experience. "These enhancements will allow us to attract top talent and provide our athletes with a first-class environment to compete. We are incredibly grateful to Dr. Goodfriend and Wendy for their support of TWU Baseball." Dr. Jack Bowling, the name currently associated with the field, will be placed on a new concourse, a fitting tribute as Bowling was usually seen in his folding chair sitting along the fence cheering on Bulldog athletes on many fields and courts. Construction is set to begin in May and is expected to be completed in the late summer or early fall.

Bobby Goodfriend Field at Athens Insurance Stadium will be officially unveiled at a special dedication ceremony, with details to be announced in the coming months.

Source: Blake McCaslin, TWU VP for Marketing, Communications, and Engagement



Pictured, left to right, are: Dr. Tyler Forrest, TWU President; Dr. Bobby Goodfriend, Chair, TWU Trustees; Billy Berry, TWU Baseball Head Coach; Donny Mayfield, TWU VP and Director of Athletics. The back row includes members of the TWU Bulldogs Baseball team.

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Obituaries

TDEC Household Hazardous Waste Collection Coming to Meigs County

Doris Amalie Hamilton, 69 of Athens, passed away on Wednesday, March 26. She was a financial and insurance advisor for many decades and was given the honor of receiving the Congressional Businesswoman of the Year award in 2003 in Washington, D.C., along with serving on several Congressional boards and committees in the areas of Insurance and Business. A Graveside service will be held on Tuesday, April 1, at 12:00PM EST at Cedar Grove Cemetery in Athens. Companion Funeral & Cremation Service of Athens, TN and the Cody family are honored to assist the family with these arrangements.

Robert Cobb, 76, passed away on Friday March 28 in a Chattanooga hospital. Arrangements will be announced at a later time. M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home & Cremation Service is in charge of arrangements.

Nelrea Keel Burry, 92 of Ocala, FL, passed away peacefully on Friday, March 28 in Athens. She will be buried at a later date in Millwood Cemetery in Reddick, FL. Companion Funeral & Cremation Service of Athens, TN and the Cody family are honored to assist the family with these arrangements.

The [Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation \(TDEC\)](#) will hold a mobile household hazardous waste collection event in Fentress, Lincoln, Meigs, and Rutherford counties on **Saturday, April 5**. Tennesseans are encouraged to bring hazardous household materials—such as cleaning fluids, pesticides, swimming pool chemicals, and more—to designated drop-off locations.

The local drop-off site for Meigs County is:
Decatur Farmers Market, Hwy 58, Decatur
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Contact: Eddie Jewell at (423) 334-5850

There is no cost & no appointment necessary for household hazardous waste disposal.

Items not accepted: ammunition, explosives, alkaline batteries, paint, electronics, or empty containers.

Businesses, schools, farms, and churches must schedule an appointment and may incur a disposal fee – call (615) 643-3170 for details. Since its inception in 1993, this program has helped over 373,000 Tennessee households safely dispose of more than 25 million pounds of hazardous materials.

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